



CITY MANAGER WEEKLY UPDATE

For Week Ending October 17, 2014

Steven M. Salomon, Interim City Manager



CITY ADMINISTRATION

Boards/Commissions Vacancies

The City is currently accepting applications to fill positions to serve on the Arts Commission, Brentwood Advisory Neighborhood Committee (BANC), Park and Recreation Commission, Planning Commission, and the East Contra Costa Fire Protection District Board of Directors. For details, please see the attached Press Release as well as the City's website: <http://www.brentwoodca.gov/go/boards/vacancies.asp>.

Voter Drop Boxes

Contra Costa County residents will find it easier to vote this upcoming election, as the county Elections Office is teaming up with City Clerks to provide several convenient vote-by-mail drop off locations.

Brentwood, Antioch, Pittsburg, San Ramon, Concord, Pleasant Hill, Walnut Creek, Richmond, Hercules and Pinole are among the cities participating in this effort. The steel drop-off boxes will be located at those City Halls starting the week of October 13th, one week after voters receive their absentee ballots. For Brentwood, the box will be located in the 3rd floor lobby at City Hall (150 City Park Way).

The steel boxes will be available during normal business hours. City staff members will also have the "I Voted" stickers for those who drop off their ballots. County election officials will pick up collected ballots on a weekly basis. For more information, call (925) 335-7800 or visit the county elections website: www.cocovote.us.

Start Smart Driver Program

Street Smarts Diablo is excited to announce that they have partnered with the California Highway Patrol (CHP) to bring the "Start Smart" program to Freedom High School on October 28th. "Start Smart" is a two (2) hour driver safety education class given by the CHP to new and future teen drivers and their parents/legal guardians. The October 28th event is free and open to the entire community. Adults are required to attend with their teen. Many insurance companies offer a 10% discount to teen drivers who complete this program. The event flyer is attached.

Registration is encouraged, but not required: <https://chpstreetsmartsdiablo.eventbrite.com>.



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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Housing Element Update

The Planning Division is currently drafting an update to the City's Housing Element of the General Plan. The purpose of the Housing Element is to identify and analyze existing and projected housing needs in an effort to preserve, improve and develop housing for all economic segments of the community. The State requires that cities periodically update their Housing Elements. As a part of the current Housing Element update process, the City is conducting a survey to determine the housing needs and concerns of the community. Your input is important. Accordingly, please take a few minutes to complete the survey prior to November 14th. The survey can be accessed at the following link:

<http://www.brentwoodca.gov/HousingElementSurvey>

Highway 4/Sand Creek Road Interchange Completion Community Celebration

The Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA) is pleased to invite you to the Highway 4 Sand Creek Road Interchange Completion Community Celebration. The celebration marks the completion of the Sand Creek Road Interchange, part of the Highway 4 improvement projects. The Sand Creek Road Interchange project includes expanding the highway from two to four lanes (two in each direction) from Lone Tree Way to Sand Creek Road, the construction of the Sand Creek Road Interchange, consisting of two overpasses, and a median that is wide enough to accommodate mass transit in the future (eBART). The celebration will span Friday and Saturday.

Northbound traffic is scheduled to be shifted to the newly-construction roadway section and bridge starting the night of October 24th and is expected to be completed by Saturday morning.

The Ribbon-Cutting Event is scheduled for: Friday, October 24th from 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Location: The Streets of Brentwood Shopping Center (2565 Sand Creek Road).

The Sand Creek Shopping Promotion is scheduled for Saturday, October 25th all day at The Streets of Brentwood Shopping Center (2565 Sand Creek Road). Select merchants at the Streets of Brentwood will be providing shopping discounts of 10% or more to help celebrate the completion of the Sand Creek Road Interchange project.

Small Business Expo

The Offices of Congressman Jerry McNerney and Assemblymember Jim Frazier, along with the City of Brentwood and other Local, State and Federal agencies, hosted the Small Business Expo on October 15 at the Community Center. The expo was held to assist small businesses, home based businesses, and start-up companies with contracting, licensing, and certifying, as well as providing general information to help the small business owner succeed.

Educational Event with Lawrence Livermore National Lab

On Saturday, October 25th, Lawrence Livermore National Lab (Lab) will hold its popular "Science on Saturday" event in Brentwood. This event is aimed at middle and high school students and gives Brentwood residents of all ages the chance to learn about the innovative research happening at the Lab. The event is free and will be held at the Brentwood Community Center (35 Oak Street). For more information, please view the attached flyer.

Annual Audit of the City's Financial Records and Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

The City of Brentwood engages the services of the auditing firm Maze & Associates to complete the annual audit of the City's financial records and the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). Maze & Associates were on-site at City Hall from September 29th to October 10th and completed the fieldwork portion of the audit. The results of the annual audit and the CAFR will be presented to City Council in December.



Bond Refinancing



On October 14th the City closed on a refinancing of multiple bonds which were issued between 2004 and 2006 and carried an average interest rate of 4.96%. The refinanced bonds were issued at an average interest rate of 3.78% and will generate \$12.4 million in total gross savings over a 22-year time period. The savings will be split between property owners in the form of lower annual assessments and the City. The City's portion of the savings will be restricted for future City capital improvement projects, including funding for the recently approved recirculating water pump addition at Blue Goose Park.

POLICE

Child Seat Safety Inspection

Assemblymember Jim Frazier is partnering with the California Highway Patrol and the Brentwood Police Officers Association to hold a free Child Seat Safety Inspection on Saturday, October 25th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Brentwood Senior Activity Center (193 Griffith Lane). Drop by and make sure your child is riding safely in your car.

Certified National Highway Traffic Safety Administration child passenger safety technicians will be on hand to provide free inspections of your child's car or booster seat to ensure these devices are properly installed in your vehicle.

For additional information or to RSVP to the event, please contact Assemblymember Jim Frazier at his website: <http://asmdc.org/members/a11/> or by calling his Antioch District Office at (925) 778-5790.

PUBLIC WORKS

Brentwood Boulevard Median Landscape Project

The slurry seal work on Brentwood Boulevard from Sunset Road/Grant Street to Lone Tree Way is scheduled for the nights of Thursday, October 23rd and Friday, October 24th from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.; weather permitting. There will be traffic control and flagmen in place, diverting traffic as needed. Slurry seal work is typically done during the daytime hours; however, in order to not inconvenience businesses and residences fronting the project area, this work is being scheduled at night.

City Supports Proposition 1

Proposition 1 is the Water Quality, Supply and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014. If approved by voters at the November 4th, general election, \$7.545 billion will be available statewide for funding new surface and groundwater storage projects, regional water reliability, sustainable groundwater management and cleanup, water recycling, water conservation, watershed protection and safe drinking water.

The Brentwood City Council recently adopted a Resolution in support of Proposition 1. Should Proposition 1 pass, the City may be eligible for funding to construct various water-related projects that would help our community during extended periods of drought. More information explaining the benefits of Proposition 1 is available at the California General Election Voter Information [Guide Page](#).

What Should I Do If I See Water Being Wasted?

It is the City's intent to primarily enforce prohibited water activities (list following) through public outreach and education. When the City receives notification of a prohibited activity, a friendly reminder asking for correction will be left on the door. If you see a prohibited activity taking place, you may report the activity online by using [Report a Problem](#) located on the City's Website, or by using your smart phone with the City's Report It! app under "Brentwood, CA Report It!" or by calling Public Works/Operations at (925) 516-6000.

Prohibited water activities by City Council Resolution include:

- Watering between 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
- Causing excessive flooding or runoff.
- Washing a vehicle without a shutoff nozzle.
- Using a hose to wash hard surfaces.
- Operating a non-recirculation decorative fountain.





MEDIA RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2014

Contact: Margaret Wimberly, City Clerk
Phone: 925.516.5440
Email: mwimberly@brentwoodca.gov

COMMISSION/COMMITTEE VACANCIES

BRENTWOOD, CA – The City of Brentwood is accepting applications from interested citizens for the following Commissions and Boards. Applicants must reside within the city limits.

Planning Commission: Applicants for this Commission must reside within the incorporated city limits. This five-member commission meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. The Commission recommends plans for the regulation of future growth, development and design of the city, and carries out the provisions of the General Plan and the Zoning Ordinance. One vacancy due to resignation with a term expiration of 12/31/14 and two vacancies due to term expirations on 12/31/14. **Application deadline: October 24, 2014.**

Arts Commission: The Arts Commission is an advisory commission to the City Council made up of five (5) Brentwood citizens. Applicants for this Commission must reside within the city limits. This Commission meets on the third Wednesday of each month. Arts Commissioners make recommendations on arts. Commissioners should be knowledgeable about and represent a cross section and distribution of membership among the major art and cultural fields which may include one or more of the following art disciplines: architectural arts, dance, art education, fiber arts, literature, music, painting, performing arts, photography, ceramics, sculpture, murals, visual, functional art, and crafts. Two vacancies due to term expirations on 12/31/14. **Application deadline: Friday, October 24, 2014.**

East Contra Costa Fire Protection Districts Board of Directors: The East Contra Costa Fire Protection District was established in 2002 with the consolidation of the Bethel Island, East Diablo, and Oakley-Knightsen Fire Protection Districts. The District serves the cities of Oakley and Brentwood as well as the unincorporated areas of east Contra Costa County, including Bethel Island, Byron, Discovery Bay and Knightsen. Pursuant to the Fire Protection District Law of 1987, the District operates as an independent public agency and the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors initially served as the District's governing board. In late 2009, the cities of Brentwood and Oakley, the County and ECCFPD consented to local governance of the District. The Board of Directors includes nine members: four from Brentwood, three from Oakley and two from the unincorporated County area, each residing within the District. The ECCFPD Board meets the first Monday of each month in the evening. There is no compensation provided for Board Members. One Citizen vacancy due to term expiration. **Application deadline: Friday, October 24, 2014.**

Park and Recreation Commission: The Park and Recreation Commission is an advisory commission to the City Council made up of five (5) Brentwood citizens. Applicants for this Commission must reside within the City limits. This Commission meets on the fourth Thursday of each month. The Commission makes recommendations on park and recreation facility designs, use of City parks and recreation facilities, and provides feedback and recommendations in regard to program and facility rules, regulations, policies, and procedures. Three vacancies; one vacancy due to resignation with a term expiration of 12/31/14; one vacancy due to a resignation with a term expiration of 12/31/16; one vacancy due to term expiration on 12/31/14. **Application deadline: Friday, October 24, 2014.**

Brentwood Advisory Neighborhood Committee: The Brentwood Advisory Neighborhood Committee (BANC) is an advisory committee made up of residents from the city's 53 neighborhoods. The committee serves on special task forces to study city issues and to work on projects such as the committees' "Home of the Month" program, National Night Out, and assists with the annual Christmas tree lighting. Meetings take place at 6:00 pm on the second Wednesday of each month in the Brentwood Community Center Meeting Room. BANC continually accepts applications for new members and requires applicants to observe a BANC meeting before consideration for appointment. **Ongoing**

Applications are available at City Hall, 150 City Park Way, or by calling 925.516.5400, or on our website www.brentwoodca.gov For additional information, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 925.516.5400 or via e-mail at CityClerk@brentwoodca.gov

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CHP START SMART DRIVING SAFETY PROGRAM

For Teen Drivers and their Parents

WHEN

October 28, 2014
7pm – 9pm

WHERE

Freedom High School - MPR
1050 Neroly Road
Oakley, CA 94561

REGISTRATION

The event is **FREE** and open to all Brentwood/Oakley students and parents, but registration is requested: <http://chpstreetsmartsdiablo.eventbrite.com>

For more information, visit www.streetsmartsdiablo.com or contact us: 925-969-1083 / kerri@511contracosta.org



START SMART is a two-hour driver safety education class given by the California Highway Patrol (CHP). The class targets new and future licensed teenage drivers and their parents/legal guardians. For more information about the program, visit www.chp.ca.gov or contact the CHP offices at 925-646-4980.

STREET SMARTS DIABLO

is a traffic safety program that educates pedestrians, cyclists and drivers in Central and East Contra Costa County. For more information, contact Street Smarts Diablo at 925-969-1083 or kerri@511contracosta.org.

This event is supported by the Liberty Union High School District.

CHP START SMART

PROGRAMA PARA CONducIR CON SEGURIDAD

Para conductores adolescentes y
sus padres

CUÁNDO

Octubre 28, 2014

7pm – 9pm

DÓNDE

Secundaria Freedom– MPR

1050 Neroly Road

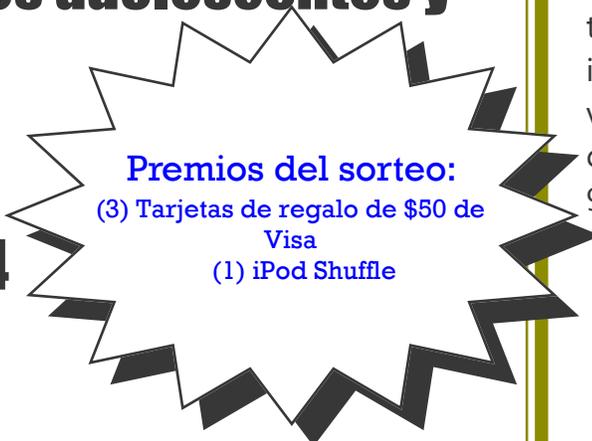
Oakley, CA 94561

REGISTRO

El evento es **GRATUITO** y abierto a todos los estudiantes y padres de Brentwood/Oakley, pero requiere registro:

<http://chpstreetsmartdiablo.eventbrite.com>

Para más información visite www.streetsmartdiablo.com o contáctenos:
925-969-1083 / kerri@511contracosta.org



Premios del sorteo:

(3) Tarjetas de regalo de \$50 de
Visa

(1) iPod Shuffle



START SMART es una clase educativa dos horas para conducir seguramente de dada por la Patrulla de Autopistas de California (CHP). La clase se enfoca en conductores adolescentes con licencias nuevas o futuras y sus padres/tutores legales. Para más información sobre el programa, visite www.chp.ca.gov o contacte a oficinas de CHP al 925-646-4980.

STREET SMARTS DIABLO

es un programa de seguridad vial que educa a peatones, ciclistas y conductores del Condado Contra Costa Central y del Este. Para más información, contacte a Street Smarts Diablo al 925-969-1083 o kerri@511contracosta.org.

Este evento es apoyado por el
Distrito Liberty Union High School.



Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory Presents

SCIENCE ON SATURDAY



COMPUTER SIMULATION: Exploring Nature with a Computer

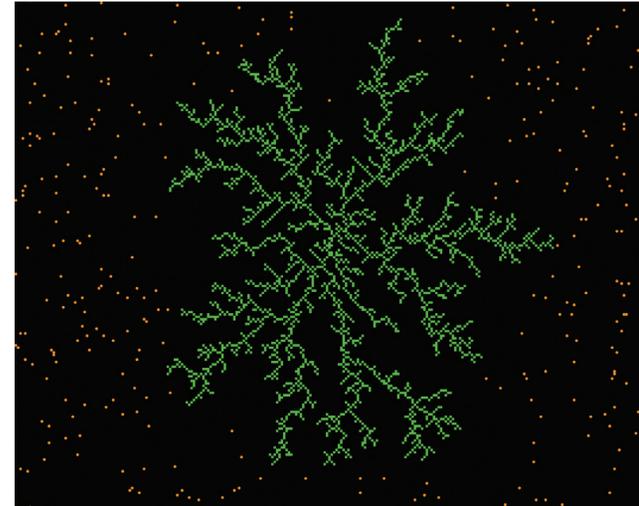
Instructors: **Vic Castillo, PhD, LLNL Scientist**
and **Rodger Johnson, High School teacher**

Saturday, October 25, 2014

9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Brentwood Community Center
35 Oak Street

FREE EVENT



Computers are becoming an increasingly cheaper, more powerful tool that cannot be ignored by professionals. Computer simulation reproduces the behavior of natural and man-made systems to help us understand, predict, and communicate. This lecture will explore how LLNL scientists use computer simulation on the world's fastest computers. We will also show you how you can get started doing your own computer simulations with free, open-source tools for class projects or just for fun! Students, teachers and parents are invited to attend Science on Saturday (SOS). SOS provides science talks with demonstrations highlighting cutting edge science at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL).

For more info contact: **Dr. Joanna Albala, Science Education Program Mgr.**
at: albala1@llnl.gov or 925-422-6803

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